

RESOLUTION NO. R- 4429

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND APPROVING THE PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP A PUBLIC PLAZA WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY AT THE CORNER OF KIRKLAND AVENUE AND STATE STREET S.

WHEREAS, enhancement of the City's pedestrian-oriented downtown is a high priority for the City of Kirkland; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Strategic Plan (Resolution 4294) recommends the elimination of the right-turn shortcut from eastbound Kirkland Avenue to State Street; and

WHEREAS, public open spaces are an important component of the pedestrian environment, providing focal points for outdoor activity, refuge from automobiles, and stimulating foot traffic which in turns strengthens the retail character of the downtown; and

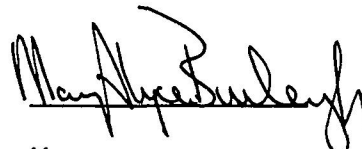
WHEREAS, the Design Review Board has recommended approval of the proposed public plaza design concept subject to the specific conditions set forth in said recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:


Section 1. The City Council approves the proposed public plaza design concept subject to the conditions set forth in the recommendations by the Design Review Board. The City Council further directs the applicant to work in conjunction with relevant City departments to resolve any remaining design details in a manner that supports the Downtown Strategic Plan, Comprehensive Plan, and Kirkland Zoning Code.

PASSED by majority vote in open meeting of the Kirkland City Council on the 16th day of March, 2004.

SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION thereof on the 16th day of March, 2004.


Mayor

Attest:


City Clerk